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SUBJECT: ALLEGED MALTREATMENT OF CHICO PROTEST LEADER,
MARIFLOR PARPAN

REF: (A) MANILA 1859; (B) MANILA 1279

1. ACCORDING TO JESUIT PRIESTS AT ATENEO DE MANILA, ANTHROPOLOGIST MARIFLOR PARPAN WHO WAS ONE OF SEVERAL ACTIVISTS DETAINED IN CONNECTION WITH CHICO RIVER PROTEST (REF-TEL B) HAS BEEN BEATEN UP WHILE IN DETENTION AND IS CURRENTLY IN HOSPITAL AT CAMP OLIVAS (WHERE DE LA TORRE ALSO BEING HELD). INFORMATION ON HER CONDITION WAS OBTAINED END OF LAST WEEK BY JESUIT PRIEST WHO TALKED TO "EYE WITNESS" OF BEATING. REPORT ON CASE IS BEING CIRCULATED AT ATENEO (AND PRESUMABLY ELSEWHERE) BY FATHER FRANK LYNCH, WELL-KNOWN AMERICAN JESUIT SOCIAL SCIENTIST, AND OTHERS. MS. PARPAN, WHO HAS BEEN OUTSPOKENLY ANTI-MARCOS AS WELL AS ANTI-CHICO, HAS BROTHER WHO IS JESUIT PRIEST (NOW IN ROME) AND HAS HERSELF WORKED CLOSELY WITH JESUITS, AND WE ANTICIPATE HIGH LEVEL OF CHURCH CONCERN AND INTEREST IN HER CASE.

2. EMBASSY CANNOT CONFIRM ALLEGATION. SOURCE WHO PROVIDED INFORMATION ON DE LA TORRE (REFTEL A) WAS
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UNAWARE THAT MS. PARPAN HAD BEEN MOVED FROM

BONIFACIO (WHERE MOST DETAINEES HELD) TO OLIVAS.
JESUIT PROVINCIAL SECRETARY TOLD LABATT THAT A
COLLEAGUE CONTACTED FORT BONIFACIO FEB 9 AND WAS
TOLD THAT SHE HAD BEEN "RELEASED" (NOTHING MORE).
HOWEVER AS OF YESTERDAY, HER SISTER HAD HEARD
NOTHING. JESUITS SPECULATE THIS MAY MEAN SHE WAS
"RELEASED" FOR TRANSFER TO OLIVAS. EMBASSY WILL
CLARIFY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
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